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## Background

- Unincorporated community In Tulare County
- Approximately 1800 homes
- Homes served by private wells
  - Wells are shallow and varying from 20-100 feet
  - Many have gone dry



# **Background (cont.)**

- Assistance from the State and local agencies
  - ➤ Bottled Water
  - > Household Tank Program
- Expensive and not sustainable
- Long term solution
  - City of Porterville serves as the water purveyor
  - ➤ Phase 1: Connect homes with household tank
  - ➤ Phase 2: Connect the remaining eligible homes

### **Funding**

- Cleanup and Abatement Account:
  - > \$500,000 to Tulare County to equip the Well
  - > \$3.4 million to Tulare County for bottled water
- Prop 1 funds
  - \$5 Million to Department of Water Resources (DWR) for Planning
- Prop 1 and DWSRF (subject to Board's approval)
  - Up to \$35 Million to DWR for Phase 2 construction

#### **Phase 1 Construction**

- Implemented and funded by the DWR
- Connect homes that were in household tank program
- Completed 3-31-2017
- ~ 330 homes were connected to the City's water system
- ~ \$15 million

#### **Phase 2 Construction**

- Project estimates: \$33.3 million
- Remaining ~ 770 eligible homes
- Remaining infrastructures:
  - Up to 3 wells (sustainable yield 835 gpm)
  - > 4.5 miles of transmissions and distributions
  - Booster pump station
  - Storage tank
  - > Fire hydrants
  - > Wells abandonment

#### Outreach

Office of Public Participation

- Extensive outreach March to October 2016
- Attended monthly community meetings
- > June 23, 2016 First Public Meeting
- October 5, 2016 Second Public Meeting
- February 22, 2017 Final Public Meeting

#### **Success Stories**

Established relationships

Assisted in sign ups

 All homes on tanks connected as of today
 (330 homes)



#### **Lessons Learned**

Build Trust

Effective Meetings

Earlier Partnership

### **Home Connections Status**

Total Properties				
Phase	Total	Interested	Committed	Connected
Phase 1	332	307	305	330
Phase 2	765	479	405	
Total	1100	786	710	330

As of March 24, 2017

# **Projected Schedule**

Phase 1 completed March 31, 2017 Phase 2 begins Summer 2017 All home connections complete

December 31, 2017

Phase 2 completes
Summer 2018

#### **Staff Recommendation**

 Authorize the Deputy Director of the Division of Financial Assistance to:

Execute a financing agreement providing funding to the DWR in the amount not to exceed \$35 million to implement the Project

